

# The Bullet

Special 1950 Edition For New Students

MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE of the UNIVERSITY of VIRGINIA

FREDERICKSBURG, VA.

## Cap And Gown Suggests Recipe For MWC Success

Cap and Gown Club is a senior honorary society whose members are selected during the last quarter of their junior year by the outgoing members on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and service to the school. The candidates for membership must have a scholastic average two tenths of a point above the class average. The purpose of the organization is to promote college loyalty, to advance the spirit of service and fellowship among university women, and to stimulate the development of a finer type of college woman.

Members of this club were asked to suggest a list of characteristics which they felt would lead to success in college. The list would of course include the usual character and personality traits—cooperativeness, sense of humor, friendliness, sincerity, intellectual interest, and school spirit. In addition, all these campus leaders agree that students stress broadness of viewpoint, perseverance, and HARD WORK.

Further, unselfishness, working for the betterment of the school or community rather than for any personal glory, is high on their list. They emphasized the futility of being a "joiner" when entering her college career. Concentration on one or two extra-curricular activities is highly desirable.

High on the list for achieving college success is avoidance of becoming attached to a clique. College is a place for meeting and learning to understand all types of people and Mary Washington is especially helpful because of its friendly atmosphere.

And last but of the utmost importance is don't procrastinate. Do your assignments as they are given; work put off until the last minute is doubly difficult.

Carrying on its projects of service during the session, Cap and Gown completed its most formidable task in December with publication of the Student Directory, a guide to the home and college addresses of Mary Washington's entire population.

Cap and Gown members act as guides for historic tours of Fredericksburg and for campus tours for visitors. They assist with freshman orientation, place signs on the campus to identify the buildings, sponsor a talent show at McGuire Veterans Hospital in Richmond, sponsor an assembly program for career day, arrange for group conferences with the alumnae working in various vocational fields and sell Easter lilies for the benefit of Crippled Children.

## Retiring Freshman President Extends Welcome To '54

MWC, '50.

Hello, there! So you're finally going to college. After all those years of dreaming about it, it's hard to believe that the time's almost here, isn't it? I remember the mixed feeling of excitement, fear, and dread that sort of swelled up inside me every time I thought or heard the word "college." Ten to one you're going through the same thing right now.

College — there's that word again! Each of you has a different conception of what college means. It's part of a dream you've been

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## Some Campus Leaders You Will Want To Know



Left to right, front row—Jane Gregg of Lawrenceville, Va., president of Cap and Gown; Priscilla Roberts of West Hartford, Conn., president of Willard, Freshman Dormitory; Mary Frances Brown of Silver Springs, Md., member of Cap and Gown, secretary of Student Government; Given Amory of Hampton, Va., treasurer of Student Government; Ruth DeMiller of Mobile, Ala., editor of the Bullet, member of Cap and Gown.

Left to right, middle row—Nancy Stacey of Georgetown, S. C., vice-president of Y. W. C. A.; Joan Hamilton of Dayton, Ohio, Freshman Commissioner of Y. W. C. A.; Marjorie Kay Southcott of New York, N. Y., secretary of Y. W. C. A.; Hannah Lau Southwell of Jacksonville, Fla., treasurer of Y. W. C. A.; Jane Allen of Brockport, N. Y., chairman of Big and Little Sisters.

Left to right, back row—Dorothy Belden of West Palm Beach, Fla., secretary of Recreation Association, vice-president of Cap and Gown; Carol King of Baltimore, Md., vice-president of Recreation Association; and Barbara Davis of Swarthmore, Penn., treasurer of Recreation Association.

## Freshman Orientation Program Is Outlined For Fall Of 1950

Since college officials realize that the first few days of a freshman's college life are apt to be somewhat bewildering to her, they have planned a Freshman Orientation Program which has a fourfold purpose:

1. To welcome the freshman into the college community.
2. To provide her an opportunity for "making herself at home" and becoming acquainted with the college.
3. To give her information and advice that will help her become adjusted to her new environment.
4. To help her in the routines of entrance and registration.

Although conditions may necessitate some minor changes in the following program, the new student should save it. She will find it useful.

### FRESHMAN ORIENTATION PROGRAM FALL, 1950

(Note—New students are required to report in the auditorium of George Washington Hall at 9:30 on Monday morning, September 18. It would be well if students who reside at a distance from Fredericksburg would plan to arrive at the college on Sunday, September 17, the first day that the dormitories will be opened to students. Dormitories open at 10 a. m. A cafeteria supper that evening will be the first meal served at the college. It will be served at 6 p. m. in Seacobeck Hall.)

Sunday, September 17

6:30 P. M.—Step-sing at Willard.  
Monday, September 18  
7:15 to 7:45 A. M.—Cafeteria

style breakfast in Seacobeck.

9:30 to 10:00 A. M.—Organ Concert in George Washington Auditorium.

10:00 A. M.—Welcome by Dr. Morgan L. Combs, President of the College. The Academic Opportunities Offered at Mary Washington College by Dr. Edward Alvey, Dean of the College, George Washington Auditorium.

1:00 P. M.—Luncheon at Seacobeck Dining Hall.

2:00 P. M.—Conference with faculty advisers in designated locations in Monroe, Chandler or Washington Hall to discuss problems of scheduling and of courses to be pursued.

6:00 P. M.—Dinner at Seacobeck.

6:45 P. M.—Program presented by Student Government, Y. W. C. A. and Recreation Association in Monroe Auditorium.

Tuesday, September 19

7:15 to 7:45 A. M.—Cafeteria style breakfast in Seacobeck.

8:30 to 12:30 P. M.—Registration for classes in Monroe Hall.

1:00 P. M.—Luncheon at Seacobeck.

2:00 to 5:00 P. M.—Registration for classes.

6:00 P. M.—Dinner at Seacobeck.

7:00 P. M.—Address by Dean of Women in Monroe Auditorium. Beginning of Freshmen Training under the leadership of Student Government.

Wednesday, September 20

9:30 A. M.—"Getting along with your roommate (s) and your professors," Dr. Eileen K. Dodd, Professor of Psychology. "Trinkle

Library" by Dr. C. H. Quenzel, Professor of Library Science. Tours of library and of Mendel Museum will start from the foyer at 11 A. M. and 12.

2:00 P. M.—The Honor System of Mary Washington College, George Washington Auditorium.

2:30 P. M.—Meeting of all girls who live off-campus, George Washington Auditorium.

3:30 P. M.—Sports Program, sponsored by the R. A. (optional)

5:00 P. M.—Freshman Training.

6:00 P. M.—Dinner at Seacobeck.

7:00 P. M.—Convocation in George Washington Auditorium.

Thursday, September 21

8:30 A. M.—Classes begin.

5:00 P. M.—Freshman Training.

7:00 P. M.—Party at cabin, sponsored by R. A.

Friday, September 22

5:00 P. M.—Freshman Training.

7:00 P. M.—Meeting of various denominational groups with ministers from town.

8:00 P. M.—Social Hour in Monroe Gymnasium.

Saturday, September 23

8:30 P. M.—Formal reception on Roof Garden, George Washington Hall, for new students only. (If rain, Hall of Mirrors.)

Sunday, September 24

11:00 A. M.—Big-Little Sister Church Day.

5:00 P. M.—Vesper service at the amphitheatre, sponsored by Y. W. C. A., followed by bag supper picnic.

Monday, September 25

5:00 P. M.—Freshman Training Examination.

## Mrs. Russell Sends Letter To Off-Campus Girls

The college administrator who is the official friend and adviser of students who live in off-campus homes is Mrs. John C. Russell, director of student personnel. Mrs. Russell's message to students who will live in town follows:

"I am happy to take this opportunity to welcome all girls attending Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia who will live in local homes. You are just as much a part of the college as the girls who live in the dormitories. You will participate in the same activities, attend the same social events, and be under the same rules and regulations as the students who reside in dormitories. The only difference is that you will sleep in an approved home instead of a college residence. You will find companionship in your off-campus home, for there will be at least one other college girl where you live. In some cases there will be a group of girls and you will almost have a small dormitory of your own. Your town hostess is anxious to help you fit into your new environment and will always be interested in your success in college. You have a definite responsibility to make a satisfactory adjustment to your new surroundings. With understanding and a sincere desire to surmount the petty difficulties which arise, I know you will have a satisfying year. Please feel that I am a very special friend who is always ready to talk over any problems or questions which may bother you. A junior or senior student who is a member of the Off Campus Cabinet will also be a special help to you. I am just as eager as you are to have your college days at Mary Washington filled with intellectual achievements, satisfying friendships, and the development of a pleasing personality. You have my best wishes for a successful college career."

## Y Introduces "Come" Week

Hi Freshmen:

You're the first! The first in a lot of ways. You're the first class to arrive at MWC in the latter half of this nineteenth century; you're the first to make use of all the new buildings which this summer will see completed. And, you're the first to come under the new plan which Y. W. C. A. on the hill has in store for you.

COME . . . that's the keyword for the biggest of Y's doings for the coming school year. COME stands for great things . . . four everyday words, but behind those words is meaning for all of you. Christianity Our Major Emphasis. These four will become Y's emphasis for one week of your freshman year. You will probably hear your big sisters (Y's giving all of you one to help you with that first trying year) talking of Religious Emphasis Week, or more familiarly R. E. Week. And that's where you and the big first come in.

Spending the last months of school before the summer vacation in conference Y cabinet revolutionized Religious Emphasis week, dressed it up with the new name, Christianity Our Major Emphasis, and prepared it to give you help, not only during one week but through every week at MWC.

You'll be hearing and talking about it after your arrival, but for

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## Life At Mary Washington

By Morgan L. Combs, President

We are intensely interested in approving for admission to the college only those students who will be happy here and who can and will adjust themselves to the way of life at Mary Washington College. No student, therefore, should enter this college until she familiarizes herself thoroughly with the social standards, regulations, and traditions. It is obviously true that no college can adjust itself to the standards of individuals. Every student, therefore, is expected to adjust herself to the standards, regulations, and traditions of the college. In brief, all students are expected to conform to the accepted standards of refined womanhood.

The Honor System is a hallowed tradition and has been in effect over a hundred years at the University of Virginia. The Honor System implies that a student is trustworthy and will not violate her pledged word or commit a dishonest or dishonorable act in connection with her college life or classroom work. Every student entering the college is required to sign a pledge to the effect that she is familiar with the Honor System and that she will conform to that System so long as she is a student at this college. Students are expected to adhere to a high standard of conduct, and not need to be reminded constantly of detailed rules and regulations. The administrative authorities and members of the faculty rely upon the student's sense of honor and strive always to appeal to her better self.

Mary Washington is interested in life at its best and strives always to stimulate clear thinking, high ideals, and wholesome and gracious living. In this connection, we can do no better than to quote from a feature article on the college appearing in the Chicago Tribune: "The atmosphere is refreshing and youthful and rather gay. Academic standards are high and Mary Washington girls are '20th Century' in the ways that count and are most enchanting in young girls."

## An Opportunity and a Challenge

By Edward Alvey, Jr., Dean

To Members of the Freshman Class:

It is a pleasure to welcome you as students of Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia. I hope that you will enjoy your stay here and will take full advantage of the opportunities offered for liberal and cultural development.

Our records indicate that you have been successful in your high school work. You have been highly recommended by your principal and others. We have every reason to believe that you will be successful in college. However, it all depends upon you.

Education is a co-operative process. Both instructor and student have reciprocal responsibilities. Strictly speaking, all education is self-education in that it depends upon the interest, activity, and response of the learner. Learning cannot be "poured in" as water into a jug. The learner himself must be alert and respond. It is in him that the behavior patterns are established and those attitudes, appreciations, understandings, and abilities that are manifestations of "learning" or "education" are developed.

Consequently, I urge you to make the most of your opportunities here. The standard of accomplishment required is relatively high. And yet, every effort will be made to help you attain it. Before registration, faculty advisers will assist you in making the best selection of courses. They will also be glad to help you with problems that may arise throughout your freshman year. Consult them and seek their assistance.

Each of your instructors is ready to help you in making satisfactory progress in his course. Do not hesitate to ask his aid if you do not understand the assignments or if you are having difficulty with the work. Then, too, all of us in the administrative offices are at your service. Please let us know if we can help you.

I wish for all of you a happy and successful career in college. I hope that four years from now we may number you among the ever-increasing list of graduates of Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia, a group of young women who have sought as their goal intellectual development, scholarly attainment, and social and moral responsibility.

## Campus Chest Aids Worthy Causes; Students' Support Is Voluntary

The Mary Washington Campus Chest was organized as a convenience for the college girls because it is a consolidation of all philanthropic drives on the hill except the Red Cross. Instead of having to contribute to many small drives during the year, Campus Chest conducts one large drive and the money is divided among worthy organizations which do good all over the world.

The most important receptor of Campus Chest contributions is the World Student Service Fund which furnishes help entirely to students of other countries who are in such dire need of aid. The W. S. S. F. sends food, clothing, books, medical supplies and other necessities to men and women of our own age who do not have the educational opportunities that we do.

Campus Chest sends money also to the Infantile Paralysis Fund and the Tuberculosis Association, both of which need no further word to describe their worth. The Campus Y. W. C. A. receives one hundred

dollars every year to help in its work in Fredericksburg and in our own college. C. C. is contributing to the Cancer Fund which we feel is important for the welfare of ourselves and our families in the future.

No individual is required to give, but everyone feels it her duty. No fixed amount is asked, but each student gives what she can afford. We hope that the Mary Washington Students who enter in 1950 will carry on our tradition in successive years by giving to those who have so much less than we.

Thanksgiving holidays after classes Wednesday, Nov. 22 to first class Monday, Nov. 27.

Christmas holidays after classes Saturday, Dec. 16 to first class Wednesday, Jan. 3.

Between semesters holiday after last exam Thursday, Feb. 1 to first class Monday, Feb. 5.

Spring holidays after classes Thursday, March 22 to first class Wednesday, March 28.

## S.G.A. President Explains Purpose Of Organization



Mary Lee Oliver, the president of Student Government, is majoring in biology. She has been active in Y. W. C. A., the Science and German Clubs. Her home is Gloucester, Virginia.

Dear Freshmen:

On behalf of the Student Government Association of Mary Washington, I want to welcome you to M. W. C. and extend our wishes that your years here will be filled with success and happiness.

The Student Government Association will be a vital part of your school life. On your day of arrival you will become a part of a self-governing community. The success of our association depends upon the interest you take in it and on your active cooperation in upholding the ideals and spirit of our college. This can be realized by the acceptance of individual and group responsibility on the part of every student. This will be your college, your student government—your opportunity.

Student Council, which is elected each year, is vested with executive power. It meets regularly on Monday nights to make plans and act on any cases of infractions of college rules. Yes, Freshmen, there are rules. We would not have a well-ordered society here on the hill without them. The "Bayonet" is the college publication which embodies the various rules and regulations and it would be advantageous if a copy of this booklet could be sent to each of you now, but unfortunately this is not possible. You see, the "Bayonet" is revised each year to meet the changes in student opinions and desires. During the summer months this revised edition is approved by various committees. Consequently it is September and time for college to open when the "Bayonet" is printed. Nevertheless I am sure that you realize that any self-governing community, any women's college for that matter, must have rules and regulations to insure smooth functioning. Freshman Training in the fall enables you to become familiar with its provisions.

But please don't get the mistaken impression that the Student Government Association is only a kind of police force. The organization sponsors many projects during the year and works to make life more pleasant for the students. Among some of the activities are the Freshman Reception, Freshman Orientation Program, the organization of the freshman class, and faculty day. Along with R. A. it sponsors the annual Song Contest and with Y. W. C. A. executes our beloved Loyalty Night. In addition to these we have lots of plans for new activities during the 1950-51 season.

Now let me say personally how anxious I am to meet each and everyone of you and to assist you to the best of my ability. No doubts, questions, or misunderstandings can be too minute to warrant my attention. Please feel free to call upon me at any time when I can be of help.

I want again to welcome you

## "Come" Week

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now, here are the essentials:

The date: February 18 through 22 (after you've had a semester of Peanut Week, The Kiddle Party, The Doll Show, and all the other activities Y has in store.)

The name of the week "Christianity Our Major Emphasis." The theme tying in directly with the name: "What is your major?"

The objective: to help every student make Christianity either directly or indirectly her major. Y hopes to reach and meet the religious needs of all on the campus, to seek for personal commitment, to encourage active church membership, to present forthright messages by Christian leaders, to put religion into more of the every day activities, and to present the relevance of Christianity to modern life.

On the agenda of speakers, though subject to change, are four of the nation's outstanding leaders, from all fields of life. Miss Nell Morton, will take as her topic, "Worship and Devotions"; Dr. Arthur Kinsolving, "Faith and Religion in Higher Education"; Dr. Roy Burkhardt, "Family and Home"; Dr. Edward McCrady, "Internationalism and Nature."

You won't want to miss any of the talks, for COME Week is the time to iron out personal as well as world problems.

Y wishes you luck in your Freshman year and hopes you will COME.

## Retiring President

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building up since the first time you were asked, "What are you going to be when you grow up, honey?" You'll find college very different from anything you ever imagined, but it's even more wonderful than your dreams.

It's a big step from high school to college. From now on you'll be hearing a lot of talk about "getting adjusted." This will help you, of course, but getting adjusted is basically an individual matter. Adapting yourself to college life is something you have to work out for yourself, and which will be infinitely valuable to you. Learning how to get along with your roommate, to budget your time wisely, to study (we all have to descend to the latter at times!) will be beneficial to you not only during your college days, but long after.

Anyone who goes to college is lucky, but anyone who goes to Mary Washington College is luckier, as you'll soon see. This place is terrific, really! There's something about it that'll get in your blood, so watch out! Maybe it's the friendly atmosphere—smiles even at 7:30 in the morning; or maybe it's the faculty—they're all for you; or maybe it's just that the place is so darn beautiful you can't help loving it. Here you'll meet girls from every place imaginable, and you'll make friends you could never forget.

Here comes some advice—you're probably getting it from everyone these days. What I'd like to say is this: Keep in mind that studies come first, but also that a vital part of college life, and one which makes it a much richer experience, is taking an interest in extra-curricular and class activities, and the cultural advantages you'll be offered. Make the most of the four coming years. They will be the best years of your life.

We're all looking forward to meeting you, and we'll do everything possible to make you happy here. Welcome, all you Freshmen, to MWC!!

Have a nice summer, everyone. See you in September!

Love,  
Nell McCoy.

to M. W. C. In this welcome there is the sincere wish that Mary Washington will fulfill your dreams of college years.

Sincerely,  
Mary Lee Oliver,  
President S. G. A.

## R. A. Welcomes Class of '54

I am more than glad to have this opportunity to welcome each and every one of you to Mary Washington as members of the class of '54 and also as future members of our Recreation Association—RA for short. And little do you know what crazy plans are in store for you! We've covered the alphabet from A-Z, with emphasis on the F for Fun and the L for Laughs. Add to this a dash of seasonal sports for spice and a sprinkle of cabin parties and square dances, and the first thing you know you'll have a grand mixture of alphabet soup! And this varied mixture of ingredients—I mean activities—aptly characterizes our organization because we have a finger in just about every pie—oophs... I mean soup—on the campus.

Seriously, the Recreation Association does offer and sponsor all kinds of recreation, whether it be social, creative, or athletic, and whatever you like to do, we have. Of course, I hope you realize "judo" is an exception! However, we do have bowling, ice skating, sleigh-riding, recreational swimming, step-singing and any other favorite pastime to provide you with a relaxing and gay social calendar. Also, we welcome any and all talent that can be used in our annual Benefit which is always held on Halloween week-end. So if any of you have a special gift for being a spook or can portray a black cat, or can honestly classify yourself for a "freak show", then by all means come out and howl with us on our eventful Halloween show. As you have probably guessed by now, we can hardly wait to get your clutches on you. But enough of this and back to what we have planned for you your first week at Mary Washington.



Brooke Woods, the president of R. A., is majoring in psychology. She has been active in R. A., Y. W. C. A. and Junior Dance Club. Her home is Hanover Courthouse, Virginia.

First, look for the girl in white with the R.A. band on her arm. She'll be glad to answer any questions, and eager to carry your heavy suitcases! No kidding, we want to help in any possible way, so please don't hesitate whenever you are in doubt about something. We'll probably be in and out of your rooms all day Sunday and Monday, and our first big get-together will be Monday night in the Gym.

On Wednesday afternoon, we have planned a general exhibition of some of our activities, so that if you decide to join some of our clubs, you'll have an idea of what each one does. There'll be a tennis match, and if you watch carefully, who knows but you may be the new Tennis Champion of the Fall or Spring Tournament. Also, there'll be a modern Robin Hood complete with archers, and a fencing match put on by the Fencing Club. The Dance Club will show you the latest in modern dancing, and the Terrapin Club will exhibit diving and water ballet in either the outdoor or the indoor pool. The Hockey group will play a brief game, and if you care to join them, (Continued on page 3)

## "Get Acquainted" Course To Be Given Freshman

To help Miss Freshman make the transition from high school to college life as pleasant and profitable as possible, a course is offered that will aid her to become accustomed to her new environment.

Under the general supervision of Mrs. John C. Russell, director of student personnel, the freshman class will meet once a week during the coming fall semester to hear advice and instruction of the kind not easily found in textbooks.

The first meeting of the course will take place at 9:30 A. M. on Wednesday, September 20, in the auditorium of George Washington Hall and subsequent meetings are to be held at 12:30 P. M. on Thursdays in G. W. auditorium. Every new student will be required to attend. The topics to be discussed follow:

Sept. 20—How to adjust to your roommate(s) and your professors. Library facilities.

Sept. 28—Opportunities offered by extra-curricular activities, presented by leaders of various student organizations.

Oct. 5—Continuation of talks on extra-curricular activities.

Oct. 12—All new students will meet with their faculty advisers for an informal discussion of their college experiences to date.

Oct. 19—How to study and how to avoid the common causes of failure.

Oct. 26—How to budget your time and energy to take advantage of the cultural opportunities college offers for broadening oneself in art, music, literature, and religion.

Nov. 2—The history of Mary Washington College.

Nov. 9—How to insure your health. Sensible eating, exercise, and recreation.

Nov. 16—Vocational opportunities offered to girls majoring in science.

Nov. 30—Opportunities offered to girls majoring in history, political science, sociology, English and business administration.

Dec. 7—Opportunities offered to girls majoring in foreign languages, dramatic arts, speech, and music.

## R. A. Program

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then you may find yourself on the All-State Team. I'd like to add here that we have a brand new 9-hole golf course for all you golf enthusiasts, and also a Spring and Fall Golf Tournament, so best you bring along those clubs. And last but not least, the Hoofprints Club will show you the latest in equitation and jumping, and there's always a comical scene on How Not to Ride a Horse!

Then in October, we have our annual Freshman Tea, and throughout the year we have square dances (sponsored by the Square Dance Club) to which we hope you'll ask a boy—he'd better be the rugged type. And speaking of boys, we have plans for informal entertainment for you and your date—in case you run out of things to do. Also, we have basketball, volleyball, badminton, and ping-pong tournaments to help speed along the winter months, and then in the Spring, sudden bedlam breaks loose on the campus. The Devils and the Goats once more have their annual day of festivities when the winner of the year is announced! The winner is determined by points given throughout the entire year for intra-mural sports.

Girls entering Mary Washington on odd years are Devils and those entering on even years are Goats. And incidentally, Goat colors are green and yellow. You Goats will have quite a year ahead of you because this year the Goats trampled the Devils for the first time in seven years, and those little Devils are out to win back their lost glory!

Lucy Brooks Woods,

## Y.W.C.A. President Outlines Activities Of Special Interest To New Students

Dear Freshmen:

A hearty welcome to you from YWCA! We are so anxious to meet each of you and help you in every way possible to become acquainted with college life.

First of all, regardless of whether you come to Fredericksburg by bus, train or car, you will be met by a "Y" girl. You will recognize her immediately since she will be dressed in white and wearing the "Y" emblem. She will be more than eager to help you with luggage, room assignments, and any other problems that you may have in getting settled. Do not hesitate to ask her for assistance.

Sometime this summer you will be hearing from your "Big Sister." She is an upperclassman who is appointed to be your guiding hand at M. W. C. All during the first few months she will help you to become adjusted and will act as your adviser throughout the year. The following Sunday after you arrive is known as Big-Little Sister Church Day. It is customary for Big Sisters to take their little sisters to church. The Kid Party comes a little later in the week, and Big Sisters again escort Little Sisters to this affair. The party is anticipated with enthusiasm by students and faculty alike. All freshmen, dressed as little girls, compete for the coveted first prize. The "kids" parade before three judges, who choose the most typical "little girl" on the basis of child-like simplicity of dress and manner. Of course it is not required that you take part in these activities, but we urge that you do. You not only have loads of fun but you also meet many new friends. You will also find of interest the

### Honor System

Dear Freshmen:

A hearty welcome to all of you! We are so very glad you have decided to become a part of our student body.

One of the most sacred traditions you will find at Mary Washington College is our Honor System. This system was adopted from the University of Virginia where it has been used successfully for a great many years. Every student is proud to have a part in such a wonderful system and makes it a part of her every day life. It's something that is alive and we feel that it is a great factor in the molding of our character.



Karen Morey, the chairman of Honor Council, is majoring in sociology. She has been active in Y. W. C. A., French and Dramatic Clubs and R. A. Her home is Glens Falls, New York.

We know that you will have the same spirit toward our Honor System as each of us has. It is something to feel proud of and to guard zealously.

We will explain more fully this plan when we see you in September, and we know we will have your entire cooperation.

Welcome once more to each of you.

Sincerely,

Keren U. Morey,  
Chairman of Honor Council.

Freshman Commission groups.

These are composed of twelve to fifteen freshmen under the leadership of a junior or senior. These groups continue for the entire year and lead freshmen naturally and easily into further and more active participation in YWCA committee work during the three remaining years on campus. Besides becoming familiar with the functions of "Y," these groups meet often during first semester and have picnics, parties and other forms of entertainment. In this way they become better acquainted. Each group makes a doll which is entered in the Freshman Doll Show and at Christmas time given to some needy child in the community.

Another of the "first" activities comes on the night you are given the opportunity of meeting the pastor of your church here in Fredericksburg. After an informal gathering with other girls of your denomination, you are invited to the gym for refreshments and YWCA entertainment.

A week before the Christmas holiday comes the traditional Peanut Week. Later in the year comes a more serious occasion—a week of religious emphasis. During this time YWCA brings to the campus religious leaders to counsel and inspire the entire student body.

In addition to these activities, there are many others—convocations, chapel programs, teas, discussion groups and seminars, and



Phyllis Maddox, the president of Y. W. C. A., is majoring in sociology. She has been active in Y. W. C. A., the Battlefield staff, Athenaeum Club, band and Formal Dance Committee. Her home is Logan, West Virginia.

veespers held nightly in each dormitory.

We're looking forward to meeting you!

Very sincerely,

Phyllis Maddox,

President Y. W. C. A.

P. S.—If you haven't heard from your Big Sister by August 25th, notify Jane Allen, 96 Adams Street, Brockport, New York.

### M. W. C. Bus Enjoyed

Mary Washington College has its own modern, air-conditioned bus with thirty-seven reclining seats. This bus is used to enrich class instruction. Art students use it to visit galleries in Washington; science students go to the Smithsonian; music students attend concerts in Washington and Richmond; psychology students visit state institutions; and all students may go on historic and cultural tours that are arranged by the college. Between semesters a conducted tour to New York City was arranged for Mary Washington College students at a nominal cost.

The bus attended all the concerts at the Mosque in Richmond of the Richmond Celebrity series. In addition, the bus took a full load to hear Toscanini and the N. B. C. Orchestra. Two of the popular trips in the fall were Sunday excursions to the Sky-line Drive when the foliage was at its best and the visit to see Williamsburg with its restorations of Colonial buildings.

## Publications Reflect Martial Background

Dear Freshmen:

As Editor of the Bulletin, Mary Washington's newspaper, I wish to extend welcome to you from my staff and from all of our publications.

I also want to acquaint you with the publications, for when you hear the Bulletin, the Battlefield, the Bayonet and the Epaullet, you might get the impression that M. W. C. is militaristic. It isn't. Fredericksburg is very historic and Mary Washington is situated in the area where one of the battles of Fredericksburg took place. Therefore the names of our publications.

The Bulletin, a six-page paper, comes out weekly except during Exams and the week after holidays. We cover the current activities of faculty and students. The Bulletin is your paper so please feel free to make suggestions.

The Bayonet is Mary Washington's handbook of rules. The rules look formidable at first reading, but you will find that they are common sense written down, so plan to keep your Bayonet handy for consultation. Copies will be given to you when you arrive.

The Epaullet, the literary magazine on the Hill, contains literary compositions from poems to short

stories. Contributions are welcomed from all classes.

The Battlefield, the M. W. C. annual comes out about two weeks before school closes. You have plenty of time to get the signatures of all your professors and friends.

You can subscribe to these publications when you get here.

The Bulletin, Epaullet, and Battlefield need assistance and you Freshmen always have good ideas. So those of you who have an interest in publications contact one of the editors. You don't have to be an expert writer (or even a writer, for you can work on circulation or advertising). You just need an interest in working with printed material.

An easy way of remembering our publications is: the newspaper is the Bulletin because it comes to you hot off the press each week with the latest news. The rule book is the Bayonet, it sticks you to keep you out of trouble. The magazine contains our high brow literary efforts and so the name Epaullet is appropriate. Then the annual covers the activities of the whole year, so it has the fitting title of the Battlefield.

Sincerely,

Ruth De Miller,

## How To Make Your Dorm Room Attractive, Cozy

The Freshman class has happily made its will and left to the incoming freshmen their rooms in the dorms. They left little else, unfortunately—they have stripped the rooms of all the things that made them familiar and pretty. But they have decided that a few helpful suggestions will make it easier for the new occupants to make their rooms attractive. So listen to the Voice of Experience!

Your rooms will contain single beds, with springs, mattresses, and pillows. You furnish all bed covering. Four sheets, two pillow cases, two blankets, and a mattress pad are desirable. Be sure to have one set of bed linen in a suitcase which you bring with you. If you put all your bedding in a trunk, it might be delayed in arriving and you would have to scurry around to try to borrow some sheets for your first night at college. If you are not bringing a trunk, you can have extra bed linens mailed to you after your arrival.

Your room also contains dresser, study table, chairs, bookcase, and built-in closets. The space available for each girl is very definitely limited so do not bring any more possessions than absolutely necessary. Everything will have to be shared and you do not want to require more than your quota of the available space.

Don't bring too many decorations with you. You'll want to consult your roommates. Here are some suggestions you might wish to discuss with them:

1. As soon as you can, after having talked over colors, materials, etc., with them, rush down town and purchase some good-looking Bates bedspreads before they are all gone. Don't tell anyone where you are going or they might get there first and you'll be out of luck! If possible, get an extra spread or two, cut them up, and you will have matching draperies for the windows. This is the easiest and most attractive way to decorate your room. It is better not to bring a bedspread with you—your roommates will want to help you plan a color scheme.

2. A radio and a few pictures will make your room more home like. It's nice to have a knife, fork, spoon, plate, and soup bowl. An alarm clock (you'll hate it on dark winter mornings but it will get you to class on time), a tin bread box, an extension cord, and a dresser scarf are also useful, you'll discover.

3. Those popular fuzzy animals are nice too—don't overdo it though, for it's amazing how cluttered a room can get, especially if there are three or four girls in it at the same time.

4. A pretty tin wastebasket and a rug or two are always nice.

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### Fees Charged By College

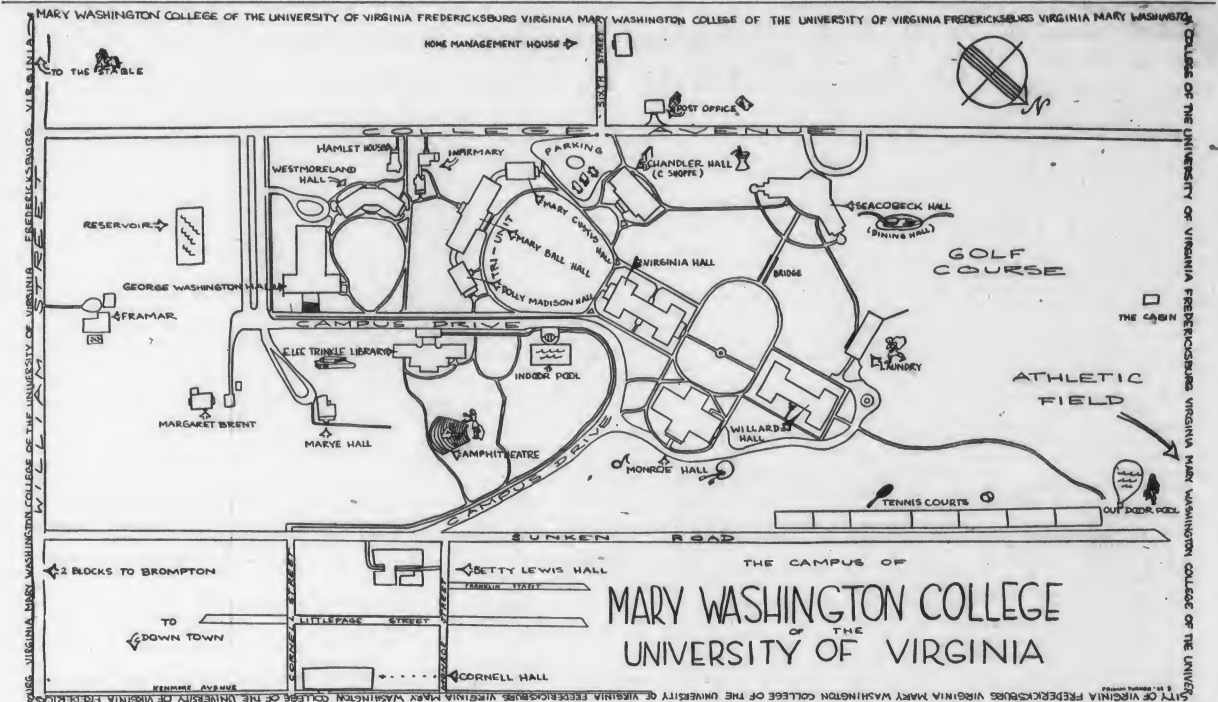
College fees for the first semester are due on or before September 10. These fees, for students who are legal residents of Virginia and who live in one of the college dormitories are as follows: general college fee, \$85; library fee, \$5; laundry charge, \$9; infirmary fee, \$3; student activity fee, \$6; table board \$157.50; furnished room, \$63.

Fees for students who are not legal residents of Virginia and who will live in a college dorm, will include, in addition to the charges listed above, a tuition fee of \$140 a semester.

Students who will live in private homes will pay the general college fee, library fee, laundry charge, infirmary fee, student activity fee, and if non-residents of Virginia, the tuition fee, but will of course make their own arrangements with their hostesses as to rates and time of payment for room and board.

The amount of the fees mentioned above are for the first semester only; second semester fees will be due on or before January 15, 1951.





## Names Of Campus Buildings Honor Persons Famous In American History

Each day hundreds of students pass through the doors of the various buildings on the campus, knowing of course, the name of the building they are entering but seldom stopping to consider the significance of that name. Few realize that some of the greatest men and women in American history are represented at Mary Washington College by the buildings named for them.

The senior dormitory is often referred to as "Tri-Unit" because it has three separate buildings linked by a curved archway. The center building is named Mary Ball, the maiden name of George Washington's mother. One side building commemorates Dolly Madison, wife of President James Madison. Dolly Madison was famous as a hostess and while her husband was Secretary of State she acted as "First Lady" for President Thomas Jefferson, as well as for her husband during his term as President. The last building in Tri-Unit honors Mary Custis, wife of Robert E. Lee and great-granddaughter of Martha Washington.

Marye Hall, one of the junior dormitories, has been named in honor of Colonel Marye. It is built after the style of an old southern mansion on a site overlooking the city of Fredericksburg.

Margaret Brent Hall, another junior dormitory, has been named in honor of Margaret Brent, the first woman to hold a title to land in the state of Virginia. In 1659 she received a deed for the land where the town of Fredericksburg and part of Mary Washington College now stand. Margaret Brent was a lawyer and was instrumental in making education for women possible.

Framar is an attractive junior dormitory located at the southern end of the main campus. Trench Hill is a three-story dormitory on an eminence overlooking Fredericksburg and opposite Brompton.

Another junior dormitory, Westmoreland Hall, is named for the county in which George Washington, Robert E. Lee, and James Monroe were born.

Virginia Hall is named in honor of the Commonwealth of Virginia and is a residence hall for sophomores.

Betty Lewis Hall is a dormitory housing freshmen and sophomores. It is named for George Washington's sister Betty Washington

Lewis, who inherited from her husband the land on which the college is situated. Cornell Hall also accommodates freshmen and sophomores. It is located on Cornell Street near the main entrance to the campus.

Hamlet House was the home of the late Prof. W. N. Hamlet who was a member of the faculty for thirty years. It is now used as a small dormitory.

The first building that was erected on the campus was Frances Willard Hall, better known as just plain "Willard." At some time during your college career someone may explain to you that Frances Willard was a great temperance leader, but few will be able to tell you that she was also dean of Women at Northwestern College where she organized the first Student Government Association in America for girls. Willard is a freshman dormitory.

Spotswood is an attractive small dormitory for freshmen at the College Avenue entrance to the campus. It has been named for Alexander Spotswood, colonial governor of Virginia and founder of Fredericksburg.

George Washington Hall is the administration building named in honor of our first president. It contains offices, classrooms, broadcasting studio, an auditorium seating 1624, and the Hall of Mirrors used for formal dances.

The original classroom building is named Monroe Hall in honor of James Monroe, whose home was near Fredericksburg and whose law office is one of the city's historical monuments. Monroe Hall contains the gymnasium, small auditorium, and classrooms. Chandler Hall is named for the second president of the college, Dr. A. B. Chandler. This building is now used by the Science Department, various academic departments, and houses the College Shoppe, where meals, snacks, books, and sundries are sold.

The newest building on the campus is the E. Lee Trinkle Library named for a former governor of Virginia and a president of the State Board of Education.

Seabeck Hall is named for the Seabeck tribe of Indians who on the present site of Seabeck Hall had a village which was visited by Captain John Smith and his party in 1603. This building contains the college dining halls. Brompton, the home of the

President of Mary Washington College is a Colonial brick mansion over 200 years old which was important in the social and military history of the country. It has been restored to its original status and will be preserved for future generations. The 174 acres of land surrounding it include the new nine hole golf course for the use of the college.

## Dorm Room

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Here's something we almost forgot to tell you. Nothing can be nailed, taped, or stuck on the wall, but there are ways of hanging things if you use your ingenuity. If you like to hang up your telegrams, snapshots, invitations, and bids, get a piece of wood about three feet long or longer, some string, and some bright material the width of the piece of wood and as long as necessary. These are the makings of a bulletin board on which you can put anything from a corsage to a pin-up boy.

## How To Address Your Packages, Trunks, Mail

All letters, parcel post packages, trunks, express packages, etc., should be addressed to the student, Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia. Everything that comes through the postal system will be held for you at the College Station Post Office until you claim it. The College Post Office will be open from 2 to 6 p. m. Sunday, September 17, and from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. week days. You must rent a box there before you can receive your mail.

Express packages will be held at the Railway Express Office until the college is officially opened Sunday, September 17. Deliveries to the dormitory to which the student has been assigned (this information is obtained by the express company from the office of the Dean of Women) are begun early Sunday morning. Two or three days should be allowed the company for handling the enormous quantity of baggage; consequently, the incoming student should bring with her a set of bed linen, a towel, and other items she will need immediately.

Baggage checks for trunks, suitcases, etc., should be presented at the office of the Dean of Women. These items will then be delivered to the dormitory to which the student has been assigned.

Off-campus students can have their luggage and packages sent directly to their local residence.

## What Wardrobe Shall I Bring?

The smart girl, unless she lives at a great distance and brings a wardrobe trunk to store out-of-season clothes in, will bring her clothes in relays: what she needs from September to Thanksgiving or Christmas; from Christmas to Easter; and from Easter to June. Most of the girls count on using many of the clothes already on hand, adding only such new items as are necessary to meet expected needs and to add interest and freshness to the wardrobe. It is nice to have some "wardrobe money" to add something new at vacation time.

There will probably be some warm weather for about the first two weeks of school. Bring just enough summer clothes for this; leave the rest at home until Spring.

Typical campus apparel will consist of sweaters and skirts or tailored suits with ankle socks and loafers or saddle oxfords. A sport coat for cold weather and a raincoat, umbrella, and boots for rainy weather will be needed. A fur coat can be used in this climate, but a cloth coat is a much more popular choice.

A dressy street length dress is needed for church, teas, dates and informal dances. One long dress is needed for formal occasions such as lyceum numbers. A more formal type of dress is worn for formal dances. Only a small percentage of students bring evening wraps with them. Many of them make a coat double for evening wear.

If the weather is warm enough in the early fall, a bathing suit is useful for sun-bathing and swimming in the outdoor pool. If riding is to be taken, you will need breeches and boots, or jodhpurs and jodhpur shoes. Tennis shoes should be brought if you expect to play or to take tennis.

It is not the custom at Mary Washington College to dress unconventionally in overalls, jeans, or slacks on the campus. Students here wear skirts on the campus unless dressed in riding habit immediately preceding or following a class in equitation.

Space is limited for your clothing so it is wise to have a small number of items that you keep clean and ready to wear. You can supplement your wardrobe locally if necessary as there are stores in Fredericksburg which cater to the college girl's needs. Good grooming and meticulous care of clothes

## Varied Services Offered By Office of Treasurer

"Where can I cash a check? Is there any place where I can leave my money for safekeeping so that I won't have to carry it around in my purse? How about the payment of college fees?" The answers to these, Miss Freshman, are supplied by Mr. Edgar E. Woodward, the college treasurer, whose office is on the first floor of George Washington Hall.

So that students need not keep large sums of money in their possession, the Treasurer's Office offers a service called the Student Deposit Fund, which operates very much as does a savings bank account. A student who wishes to do so may deposit money in the fund, either in person or by mail, and she will be given a pass book to indicate the balance to her credit. When she wishes to withdraw money from her account, she will make out withdrawal slips and present them, together with her pass book, at the treasurer's office.

The treasurer will be glad to cash a student's checks if he is supplied with a letter of recommendation by an officer of the bank in which she keeps her checking account.

## Dormitory Frosh

Incoming freshmen who are assigned to dormitory space are permitted to room with any member of their own class if they send their request for a particular roommate to the Dean of Women. Such a preference should be sent as soon as possible. However, every effort is made to assign girls with special roommates up to the very opening of college. If you do not have any choice as to roommate, it is not advisable for you to write to the Dean of Women and request the names of the roommates with whom you have been placed. Room adjustments for congeniality are made throughout the year by making the request for a change in the office of the Dean of Women. It is not desirable to give students the dormitory room number in advance because the official record of your entrance is obtained by your calling for your room assignment card at the office of the Dean of Women. This card is your ticket of admission to your dormitory.

will make the simplest wardrobe a "choice" one.